

## PROJECT UPDATE OCTOBER 2023

### Construction update



We are making great progress on both the interior and exterior of the Jim Pattison Acute Care Tower. Work is underway on all floors and our construction partner, EllisDon, is installing the new modular heliport on the roof. They are also installing a new retaining wall with a sidewalk to create a multi-use path by the hospital service lane. The sidewalk on the east side of the hospital will be closed until late November 2023. Thanks for your patience during this work. [Read more.](#)

### Respecting our neighbourhood



Over the summer, EllisDon set up some additional areas for construction workers to take their breaks on site rather than in the neighbourhood. They also have full-time cleaners who check Sherbrooke Street every day for any debris left behind by workers. EllisDon regularly reminds workers not to park within one kilometre of the hospital and has their security company patrol the area to check for construction worker vehicles. If you see a parking violation, please report it to the City of New Westminster at [parking@newwestcity.ca](mailto:parking@newwestcity.ca). For any other concerns, contact [RCHRedevelopment@fraserhealth.ca](mailto:RCHRedevelopment@fraserhealth.ca).

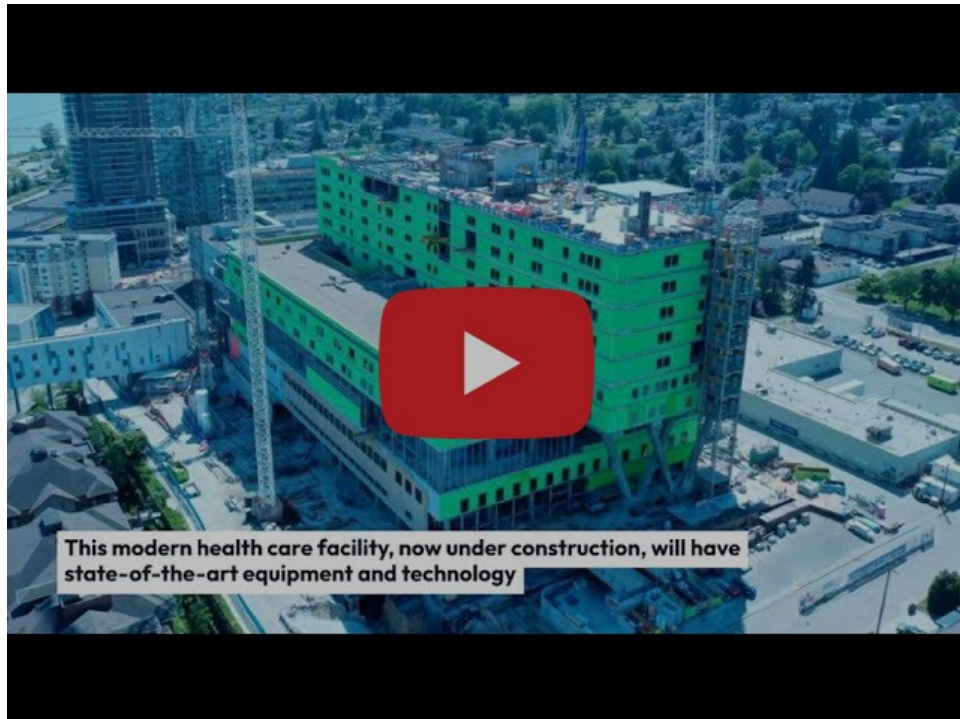
## Upholding Indigenous traditional healing practices



The Royal Columbian Hospital redevelopment project is partnering with local Indigenous communities to create a dedicated smudging room in the acute care tower. Smudging is a traditional healing method that includes medicines used in Indigenous ceremonies. [Read more.](#)

## Key features of the tower

Watch the video below to see how patients, families, staff, and medical staff will benefit from an expanded Royal Columbian Hospital. See how we are building capacity and improving access to patient-centred care.



## Timelapse video

Watch our progress over the past several months.





## Did you know?

The new acute care tower will create over a thousand new positions across all departments. Interested in working at Royal Columbian Hospital? Visit our [careers page](#).



## Contact us

Contact the project at [RCHRedevelopment@Fraserhealth.ca](mailto:RCHRedevelopment@Fraserhealth.ca). Learn more on our [website](#). View our latest [updates](#) and [videos](#).

We would like to recognize that we are conducting our business on the traditional, ancestral and unceded shared territories of the 'q̓w̓ɑ:ŋ' [Kwant-len] and Qayqayt [key-kite] First Nations, and home of the North Fraser Métis Association.



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